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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Yukio YAMAJI et al.

Application No. 10/528,228

Filed: March 18, 2005

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR  
FRACTIONATING GYPSUM SLURRY  
AND METHOD OF PRODUCING  
GYPSUM BOARD

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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

**Mail Stop AMENDMENT**  
Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 4, 2007 (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No./Mail Date 20071001), Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a); and any fees required for consideration of this paper and any papers associated with it (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 06-1358.

Kindly enter the following Amendment:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.